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SUBJECT: IEA: SCENARIO FOR MINISTERIAL DISCUSSION

REF: A. OECD PARIS 10392

B. OECD PARIS 13139

1. IEA DIRECTOR LANTZKE HAS PROVIDED US WITH FOLLOWING
PROPOSED SCENARIO TO FACILITATE MAJOR STATEMENT BY
SECRETARY AT IEA MINISTERIAL WHILE DISCOURAGING LENGTHY
FORMAL STATEMENTS BY OTHER MINISTERS.

2. UNDER AGENDA ITEM ONE ("ADOPTION OF THE PROVISIONAL
AGENDA"), (REF B) CHAIRMAN VAN ELSLANDE WOULD OPEN MEETING
(MOST PROBABLY NO LATER THAN 11:30) AND TURN FLOOR OVER
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TO DAVIGNON AND LANTZKE FOR THEIR ORAL REPORTS (REF A).

THESE REPORTS WOULD BE ABOUT FOUR MINUTES EACH. VAN ELSLANDE WOULD THEN MAKE BRIEF STATEMENT CONGRATULATING MEMBER GOVERNMENTS ON IEA ACCOMPLISHMENTS TO DATE AND SUGGESTING THAT FORMAL OPENING STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS NOT NECESSARY AND THAT MEETING GO DIRECTLY INTO AGENDA ITEM 2 ("ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE WORK OF THE AGENCY"). IN ORDER TO DISCOURAGE MINISTERS FROM STARTING INTO LENGTHY COMMENTS IN SENSITIVE AREA OF PRODUCER/CONSUMER RELATIONS, VAN ELSLANDE WILL SUGGEST REMARKS BE FOCUSED STRICTLY ON AGENCY WORK PROGRAM. LANTZKE IS TRYING TO WORK OUT SCENARIO WHEREBY, AS SOON AS VAN ELSLANDE ASKS FOR COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEM 2, FRG WILL IMMEDIATELY RAISE FLAG, FOLLOWED BY SWISS. (LANTZKE SAYS THESE TWO INTERVENTIONS ARE LIKELY TO BE FIVE TO TEN MINUTES EACH AND FOCUSING JUST ON AGENDA ITEM 2.) LANTZKE SUGGESTS SECRETARY RAISE HIS FLAG IMMEDIATELY AFTER SWISS MINISTER RAISES HIS, AND UK WOULD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW U.S. SINCE FLAGS WILL BE RECOGNIZED IN APPROXIMATE ORDER IN WHICH THEY ARE RAISED, THIS SEQUENCE IS IMPORTANT IF SITUATION IS TO BE AVOIDED WHERE NUMBER OF SMALL COUNTRIES RAISE FLAGS BEFORE U.S., RESULTING IN SECRETARY'S STATEMENT BEING DELAYED UNTIL AFTERNOON SESSION. VAN ELSLANDE WOULD BE AWARE OF COURSE THAT SECRETARY'S STATEMENT WOULD BE TOUR D'HORIZON AND NOT RESTRICTED JUST TO AGENDA ITEM 2.

3. LANTZKE INDICATED THAT IF U.S. PREFERRED MEETING BE ARRANGED WITH SPEAKERS' LIST, PLACING U.S. THIRD IN LINE TO SPEAK UNDER AGENDA ITEM 2 THIS COULD BE ARRANGED. HOWEVER, HIS PERSONAL PREFERENCE IS NOT TO ANNOUNCE THAT THERE WILL BE A LIST SINCE HE FEELS THAT DISCUSSION IS MORE SPONTANEOUS WHEN RECOGNITION IN SEQUENCE PROCEDURE IS USED.

4. LANTZKE SAYS HE HAS DISCUSSED ABOVE SCENARIO WITH FRG, UK, AND SWISS, WHO HAVE INDICATED TENTATIVE CONCURRENCE.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE CONFIRM SOONEST:
A) IF ABOVE SCENARIO NOT ACCEPTABLE, B) IF SECRETARY
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PREFERS USE SPEAKERS' LIST. C) IN LATTER EVENT,
PLEASE INDICATE DESIRED POSITION IN LIST.
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